



To: Honorable Chair and Members of the Bangor City Council
From: Robert W. Farrar, Interim City Manager
Subject: Next Week's Meetings – June 21, 2010
Date: June 18, 2010

June 21 (Mon.)	1:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting
	5:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
June 22 (Tues.)	12:00 p.m.	Penjajawoc Watershed Citizens Review Panel Meeting (Rangeley Hall, EMCC)
	5:00 p.m.	Infrastructure Committee CANCELED
	5:00 p.m.	Budget Workshop
June 23 (Weds.)	7:30 a.m.	Bangor Region Chamber Early Bird Breakfast (Sea Dog, Bangor)
	10:00 a.m.	Media Conference -- City of Bangor and Nangang District in Harbin, China (Council Chambers)
	5:00 p.m.	Business & Economic Development Committee
	7:00 p.m.	School Committee
June 24 (Thurs.)	4:00 p.m.	Recycling Committee
	5:00 p.m.	Council Workshop
	5:00 p.m.	Outdoor Market & Cool Sounds Concerts

Robert W. Farrar, Interim City Manager

NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 73 Harlow Street.

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

June 21, 2010 @ 5:00 pm

[Detail Information](#)

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Quitclaim Deed – 34 Dean Street
- b. Quitclaim Deed – 339 Union Street

2. Bids/Purchasing

- a. Rock Salt – Public Works – Harcross Chemicals Inc. - \$321,650
- b. Mailing Service – City Wide – Snowman Printing/Presort Express
- c. SCBA Fill Station – Fire – Industrial Protection - \$39,500
- d. Tires & Tire Service – Small – City Wide – Maine Commercial Tire - \$64,669
- e. Tires & Tire Service – Large – City Wide – Maine Commercial Tire - \$70,505
- f. Airport Liability Insurance – Airport - Sargent Tyler & West - \$258,741
- g. Property/Liability/Specialty Insurance – City Wide – Final recommendation is pending completion of the review of the proposed coverages and limits and will be distributed as soon as available

3. Request to Take Possession of 1730 Stillwater Avenue

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Penjawoc Watershed Citizen Review Panel

Tuesday, June 22, 2010 @ 12:00pm

Rangeley Hall, EMCC

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Utility Cost Discussion

Objective – Discuss different methods to apportion stormwater costs

Topics

- Options: status quo, property tax, utility
- Governments as paying entities
- Credits

3. Other business

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BUDGET WORKSHOP AGENDA
June 22, 2010 @ 5:00

1. Review of Additional Items for Consideration

Staff continues to work through a couple of recent issues as well as review other potential budget adjustments based upon the Council's general discussion at the last budget workshop. At this time, staff is evaluating the results of two recent bids received and their respective potential impact on the currently proposed FY2011 budget. In addition, staff is seeking final clarification on certain properties currently included within the Downtown Development District TIF which are located outside of the district boundaries, which could impact the current proposed FY2011 budget. Lastly, staff is reviewing a number of other potential revenue sources and underlying assumptions. It is anticipated that information related to all these areas will be available for distribution on Monday.

2. Other Questions/Issues

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Bangor Region
Chamber of Commerce

Save the dates!

- Breakfast at the Sea Dog
- Seminar on older workers

Early Bird Breakfast

Transportation and the Regional Economy

**Guest speaker: David Cole, Commissioner,
Maine Dept. of Transportation**

David Cole, who has been serving as DOT Commissioner since 2003, will be the featured speaker. He will discuss changes in global trade and shipping patterns, and how the northeast border region, Maine and the Bangor region in particular can take advantage of these trends. As the global economy recovers, Cole will suggest the advantages of strategic investments in ports, rail, highways and state-of-the-art border facilities. He will also talk about the opportunity for an international container port facility in Searsport.

The breakfast will take place on June 23, 7:30-9AM (breakfast 7:30; program 8-9AM) at the Sea Dog, Bangor waterfront. \$15 members/\$20 non-members. RSVP by emailing admin@bangorregion.com, call 947-0307, or register on the Chamber's website at www.bangorregion.com.

Date: **Wed., June 23**

Time: 7:30-9AM (breakfast 7:30; program 8-9AM)

Place: **SEA DOG**, Bangor (please note location change)

RSVP: 947-0307 or Email
(please write Early Bird in heading)

Cost: \$15 Members; \$20 Non-Members

Please prepay on our website or pay at the door. Please note that if you RSVP, we are obliged to invoice you. Thank you for your understanding.

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• June 22

Seminar: Older
workers

• June 23

Early Bird Breakfast

• Sept. 17

Golf Tournament

JOINT MEDIA CONFERENCE
June 23, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.
City Council Chambers

This media event announces two recent developments related to the Bangor area and its relationship to China and Chinese language study:

1. The signing of an exchange agreement between Nangang District, Harbin, China and the City of Bangor
2. The expansion of Chinese language training for students and a course for Maine teachers of Chinese under two new grants awarded to the Bangor Chinese School by the U.S. government under NSA's project STARTALK

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Bangor, ME, June 23, 2010

**The City of Bangor Partners with Nangang District in Harbin,
China**



Mayor Richard Stone of Bangor announces the signing of A EXCHANGE CITY PROCLAMATION OF FRIENDSHIP, AND EDUCATIONAL, CULTURAL AND TRADE EXCHANGE between, Bangor and the Nangang District of Harbin in Helongjiang, China. In the accord both Bangor, and the District of Nangang recognize the educational, cultural and economic benefits that can accrue through the cooperation of their respective administrative bodies, community groups, business interests, and citizens. Under the agreement student and cultural exchange will be fostered and attempts will be initiated to stimulate balanced trade between our area and the rapidly growing city of Harbin.

Located in northeast China, Harbin is centrally positioned in the province of Helongjiang (Heilongjiang) it is a land of varied topography and long cold winters. Much of the province is dominated by mountain ranges. This is home to China's largest remaining virgin forest and is an important area for China's forestry industry. Harbin is a key trade and shopping center for the region. In terms of manufactured goods, the district produces airbuses through the Harbin Aircraft Manufacturing Company, auto parts through Hafei (major Chinese auto producer). Harbin First Machines Manufacturing Company has developed a full hydraulic tracklayer excavator, a full hydraulic tracklayer hoist, a full hydraulic tracklayer pile driver, a universal chassis, and a full hydraulic radial-type grader, which had won the 1st Prize for Progress in Science and Technology. On the basis of technology introduced from Mitsubishi, Harbin Dong'an Automotive Engine

Manufacturing Company independently manufactured China's first batch of automatic transmissions February 1, 2010.

Harbin Pharmaceutical Group LTD is involved in the research, development and marketing of pharmaceutical products. It is a subsidiary of Harbin Pharmaceutical Group Holding Co., Ltd. The company manufactures chemical medicines, health food, traditional Chinese medicines, bioengineering medicines, animal health products.

The friendship accord will also encourage informational exchanges/sharing opportunities to grow both economies (Bangor and Nangang District of Harbin) wherever and whenever appropriate and suitable to each of the parties. Efforts will be made to use low-cost technology, i.e., ITV, Skype, and other methods to discuss solutions to mutual problems in city planning and regional development. The project also envisions the use of enhanced SKYPE technology to initiate "Trade Talk," i.e., language mediated, real-time interchange between potential Maine manufacturers and Chinese trading partners.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Bangor, ME, June 23, 2010



Bangor Chinese School Awarded Two STARTALK Chinese Language Grants

Jing Zhang, Executive Director of the *Chinese Learning and Cultural Center of Maine*, and Suzhong Tian President of the *Bangor Chinese School*, announce two second year grant awards from national project STARTALK to provide summer language methods instruction for language teachers and a Chinese language immersion program for students in grades 4-12 students. Jing and Tian, active since the School's founding in 2005, have sponsored numerous Chinese language and cultural programs in the Bangor area including Bangor's Chinese New Year Festival. Both summer educational programs will be offered at Husson University.

STARTALK is the newest of the component programs of the U.S. National Security Language Initiative (NSLI). The agency's programs seek to expand and improve upon the teaching and learning of strategically important world languages; languages like Chinese that are not widely taught in American schools.

The two grants totaling \$186,480 will fund a three-week intensive language and curriculum program for Maine school language teachers and concurrently, a three-week language immersion experience for 4-12 grade students. Says, Jing, "With a growing interest in Chinese language studies, the summer programs will offer two important initiatives to increase the linguistic abilities of Maine teachers and introduce Maine students to a language that is spoken by one-fourth of the world's population."

The teachers' training course with a target enrollment of twenty Maine educators will run from June 17 until July 7. It will focus on teaching strategies based on structured learning standards, up-dated assessment techniques, portfolio management and student "inclusion" strategies to make new learning modalities and strategies accessible to special needs students. Earning three university credits, teachers will hear curriculum specialists from two universities and learn to use the most advanced educational technologies available including SMART BOARD. Teacher stipends will be provided for accepted teacher participants.

The grade 4 – 12 student program, accepting approximately 50 students in both residential and commuting status, begins on June 28 and extends until July 17. It will be a three-week "immersion" experience that is both language-intensive and culturally-focused. Structured learning goals, will be

modeled on ideas drawn from the Chinese Language Association of Elementary and Secondary Schools (CLASS) national summer session, 2007. Instruction will be immersion-based and will involve the integration of exciting Chinese thematic units including virtual exchanges and meaningful use of language in real-life contexts. Students will attend class and field trips, experience “performed culture” and have hands-on experience with cooking, arts, crafts, calligraphy, abacus instruction and Tai Chi. They will hear Chinese music with live instrumentation as part of a “total” learning experience. SMART BOARD and other advanced instructional technologies will be used throughout the session.

James T. Kenny, Board member reports, “The City of Bangor is CLCC’s home. Correspondingly we will do all we can to keep student costs reasonable and within reach. Summer study stipends will be available for teachers, and students will be offered a language immersion experience at a very affordable tuition rate. Additionally, a limited number of student full-cost, needs-based student scholarships will be provided by our Bangor Chinese School.” Application forms for both the student and teacher programs may be obtained at the location below:



Ms. Jing Zhang, 5 Woodview Drive, Bangor, ME 04401 Tel: 207-990-10
<http://www.bangorchinese.com/>
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BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 23, 2010 5:00 PM

City Council Chambers

AGENDA

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1. 227 Pine Street (see attached Memo)
2. **Executive Session** – Economic Development - Amendment to Lease Agreement – 1176 Union Street – 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(C) (Confidential Memo provided separately)
3. Committee Action on Above Item
4. **Executive Session** – Economic Development - Disposition of Property – 498 Maine Avenue – 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(C) (Confidential Memo provided separately)
5. Committee Action on Above Item

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BANGOR RECYCLING COMMITTEE

AGENDA

June 24, 2010

The next meeting of the Bangor Recycling Committee will take place in the City Council Chambers, third floor City Hall on Thursday afternoon, **June 24, 2010** from **4:00 to 5:00 PM**. If you are unable to attend, please call the Public Works Department and leave word with Dana Wardwell (992-4501) or Jerry Hughes. (992-4509)

[Detail Information](#)

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order
2. Revise Approve Agenda
3. Minute Approval
4. General Assistance Bag Distribution
 - A. Who receives free bags?
5. PAYT and Single Stream Presentation
6. Committee Recommendations for Recycling
 - PAYT ?
 - Single Stream?
 - Curbside Sort?
7. Items for Next Agenda
8. Close Meeting

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Recycle Committee Minutes

June 10, 2010

Persons Present:

Jerry Hughes, Geoff Gratwick, Dana Wardwell, Monique Gautreau, Nick Bearce, Paul Lodgek,
Kate Dickerson, Guest- Greg Edwards

Call to Order:

Councilor Gratwick called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

Revise Approve Agenda:

The agenda was approved as written

Minute Approval:

The minutes from the May 2010 meeting were approved as written.

Recycling Report:

Dana reported that no checks had been received from the Maine Resource Recovery Association during the month of May and that the recycling report is unchanged from last month.

Solid Waste Rubbish Collection RFP Status:

Dana Wardwell informed the committee that BBI, (Blow Brothers Incorporated) had been selected as the trash hauling contractor and that final approval would be addressed at the next council meeting. Nick Bearce asked about the status of Brewer and Hermon and Dana mentioned that both Hermon and Brewer would be remaining with Pinetree. Kate Nickerson had questions about what would happen if we would recycle more regarding contract price. Dana answered by explaining that there would be no price difference under our current system. If Pay as you throw was initiated there would be a decrease in the contractual cost of picking up rubbish.

Recycling RFP Status:

Dana reported that if we were to go with a PAYT Single Stream program, Pinetree would receive that contract. Dana further explained that Single Stream would cost more due to the fact that there is no revenue return on single stream recyclables. A discussion between committee members focused on recycling in general. Geoff Gratwick facilitated discussion. Comments follow:

- Nick feels that an outside advertising firm and or consultants should be used to inform the public about PAYT and or Single Stream.

- Kate is hesitant to bring in a PR firm because of the expenses involved and believes that the committee could be used to educate and inform the public.
- Kate requested that Dana provide details that directly relate to PAYT at the next meeting.
- Monique and Nick feel that PAYT and Single Stream are not necessarily tied together. In other words, we could have a PAYT program and still collect sorted material at the curb.
- Kate and Jerry both mentioned that Single Stream allows residents to recycle more materials than what we are recycling now.
- Monique reminded the committee that composting can play a very large role in waste reduction and that composting should be included in any plan that is created to increase recycling volumes.
- Greg Edwards, a student at UMO mentioned that Brewer and Abbott have already gone to the Single Stream concept and that as time goes on Bangor will continue to lose more recyclables to Single Stream and that processing cost will be higher as a result.
- Committee members discussed how to best label the PAYT concept. General consensus of the committee was to present the concept as a user fee system and that a user fee promotes fairness. Nick compared PAYT to a water meter and suggested that people would understand the water meter concept. There was also discussion regarding how to present PAYT concept to the council. General consensus seemed to be to present the PAYT concept as a cost shift to residents that promotes fairness.
- Paul Lodgek asked if there would be any money coming back to residents in a mill rate deduction as a result of PAYT. The assumption is that moneys would be returned.
- Committee members were asked about what people should be brought in to continue the discussion about PAYT, Single Stream and other recycling options. Some people thought that civic groups and Bangor Citizens should be invited. Others thought that the educational community and local schools should participate. Some members felt that it was too early for continued efforts and suggested that we concentrate on getting council approval and moving forward after approval is given.
- The question of who would receive free bags under a PAYT system was also mentioned. Committee members agreed that General Assistance would be the best agency to handle the distribution of free bags.

Meeting Adjourned:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:45 PM.

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COUNCIL WORKSHOP
June 24, 2010 @ 5:00 pm

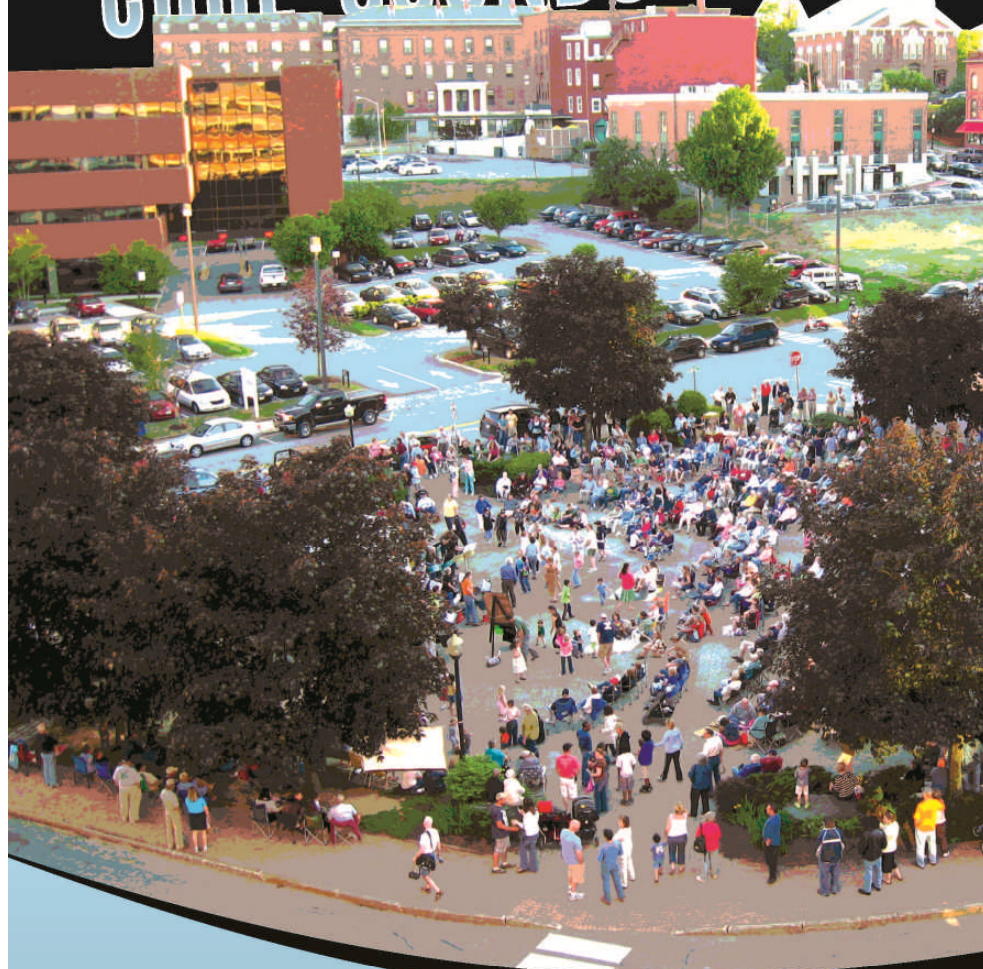
1. Define Arena Project Description for Schematic Design Purposes

The purpose of the Workshop is to provide an opportunity for the Council to meet with project consultants, Cianbro and Sink, Combs and Dethlefs, and define the arena project description in order for the Consultants to begin work on the schematic design of the facility.

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OUTDOOR MARKET & COOL SOUNDS CONCERT SERIES



THURSDAYS 5-8 PM OUTDOOR MARKET & 7-8 PM COOL SOUNDS CONCERT SERIES

Outdoor Market, located in West Market Square and along Broad Street, features local vendors selling handmade artwork, handbags, ironwork, jewelry, stained glass, woodwork and more! Also featuring locally produced specialty foods and produce.

The Cool Sounds FREE concert series is in Pickering Square.

JUNE 10 Bruce Nye the
Elvis Guy

JUNE 17 Kayla Wass Band

JUNE 24 Flash in the Pans

JULY 1 Blue Northern

JULY 8 Evergreen

JULY 15 Teen Jamboree

JULY 22 Banjo Dan and the
Midnight Plowboys

JULY 29 RetroRockerz

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